



## Florence Payne

April 3, 2007

Florence Payne 94, passed away April 3, 2007 at Heatherdowns Nursing Home. She was born in Kettlersville, OH on April 5, 1912 to Marion Elwood Harger and Martha Josephine Cowell. A retired teacher with the Toledo Public Schools, she was educated at the Wilberforce University and earned her Bachelor's Degree from University of Toledo in 1953. For 25 years, Mrs. Payne taught Elementary Education at both Stewart and Washington Schools retiring in 1978. She was a cherished member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority for over 50 years and as a senior member of the organization, was a part of the Delta Dears.

A member of Warren A.M.E. Church, she was proud of being a life long member of the A.M.E. Church. As a member the Women's Missionary Society and the Minute Ladies she had once served as president of both organizations. She enjoyed her membership in the Thursday Girls who crocheted, made crafts and spent social times together. She also loved doing crossword puzzles. Mrs. Payne cherished her family especially her grandchildren who called her "grandma dear"

She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years Harold Payne and leaves to cherish many warm memories loving and devoted son Eldon Sr. and daughter in law Rosie Payne, grandchildren Eldon Payne Jr and Cherron Payne ESQ of West Hartford, CT, great grandchild Cameron Payne and many

other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be Sunday 2–5p.m Dale-Riggs Funeral Home Chapel, Delta Sigma Theta Omega Omega service will be held at 4p.m. Wake services will be Monday 11:00 a.m. followed by funeral services at 12:00 noon Warren A.M.E. Church, pastor Otis J. Gordon officiate, interment Historic Woodlawn Cemetery. [www.dalefh.com](http://www.dalefh.com)